

North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department

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Eligible Projects/Expenses

Projects will be ranked based on the categories below with construction of new recreation trails being given the highest priority.

1. Construction of new recreation trails: For projects on federal land, the most important requirement is that the federal agency land manager must approve of the project in accordance with other applicable federal laws and regulations. This category may include construction of new trail bridges, or providing appropriate signage along a trail.
2. Restoration of existing trails: Restoration may be interpreted broadly to include any kind of non-deferred trail maintenance, restoration, rehabilitation, or relocation. This category may include maintenance and restoration of trail bridges, or providing appropriate signage along a trail.
3. Development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages: This may be interpreted broadly to include development or rehabilitation of any trailside and trailhead facility. The definition of "rehabilitation" means extensive trail repair needed to bring a facility up to standards suitable for public use due to natural disasters or acts of nature. Trailside and trailhead facilities must have a **direct relationship** with a recreational trail.
4. Purchase and lease of recreational trail construction and maintenance equipment: Purchase and lease of any trail construction and maintenance equipment, provided the equipment is used primarily to construct and maintain recreational trails. This provision does not include purchase of equipment which may be used for purposes unrelated to recreational trails. For example, a lawn mower purchased under this program must be used primarily for trail and trailside maintenance, not to maintain open lawn areas or sport fields. ***(Please note equipment projects, only federal, state and municipal agencies qualify for funding; a use agreement will need to be signed by the project sponsor).***
5. Land acquisition/easements: See the Land Acquisitions and Easements section below; please note, RTP legislation prohibits condemnation of any kind of interest in property. Therefore, acquisition of any kind of interest in property must be from a willing landowner or seller.
6. Trail accessibility assessment: Assessment of trail conditions for accessibility and maintenance.